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FOR AF/EX

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ACOM, WZ
SUBJECT: CONTRACT HOUSEKEEPER FOR AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE,
MBABANE

1. RECOMMENDATION 7.4-7 IN INSPECTION REPORT FOR MBABANE PROVIDES THAT "DEPARTMENT (AF/EX) SHOULD AUTHORIZE, ON POST APPLICATION, THE EMPLOYMENT OF A CONTRACT HOUSEKEEPER FOR INTERIM PERIODS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AMBASSADOR'S VISITS".

2. POST HAS LOCATED AID DEPENDENT WIFE WILLING AND VERY COMPETENT TO PERFORM HOUSEKEEPING FUNCTIONS. URGE, HOWEVER, THAT FUNCTIONS NOT RPT NOT BE LIMITED TO PERIODS ASSOCIATED WITH AMBASSADOR'S VISITS. VALUE OF HOUSE AND FURNISHINGS AND SIZE OF GROUNDS WARRANT SURVEILLANCE BY SOMEONE WILLING TO TAKE PERSONAL INTEREST IN PROPERTY EVEN WHEN HOUSE UNOCCUPIED. INCUMBENT SHOULD BE PREPARED INSPECT INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR OF HOUSE AFTER OCCASIONAL TORRENTIAL RAINS, FOR INSTANCE, AND ALSO TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO EMBASSY FOR SPECIAL MAINTENANCE AND FOR GARDEN ACTIVITY. WORKLOAD WOULD OF COURSE INCREASE DURING PERIODS IMMEDIATELY BEFORE AND AFTER AMBASSADOR'S VISITS AND WOULD INCLUDE OBTAINING
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PROVISIONS AND DIRECTING PRE-VISIT CLEAN-UP OF INTERIOR. INCUMBENT SHOULD BE WILLING DEVOTE SEVERAL HOURS OF SUPERVISORY ACTIVITY EACH WEEK FOR CUMULATIVE TOTAL OF NOT LESS THAN TEN HOURS MONTHLY. PREE-VISIT AND POST-VISIT SUPERVISORY TIME, IF EVENLY DISTRIBUTED OVER THE YEAR FOR SALARY PURPOSES, WOULD

AVERAGE OUT TO ANOTHER TEN HOURS MONTHLY, MAKING TOTAL
TWENTY HOURS OR TWO AND HALF WORKING DAYS MONTHLY.
BELIEVE APPROPRIATE TO COMPENSATE AT BEGINNING RATE FOR FSO-8
OR APPROXIMATELY \$44 PER DAY.

3. REQUEST AUTHORITY ENTER INTO CONTRACT ON BASIS
\$110 MONTHLY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

4. ADVISE.
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